(*c*) whether several machines from that Press have been removed to the Government Press; and if so, the necessity for the same, seeing that the labour in the Central Prison is free?

RAO SAHIB Dr. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: (*a*) Under the administrative control of the Superintendent, Government Press, from 1-3-1098, and prior to that under the charge of the Superintendent, Central Prison.

(*b*) No, as the method adopted in the Government Press for the valuation of the outturn, based on a technical schedule, is different from that followed in the Central Prison Press before amalgamation.

(*c*) Only one printing machine was so transferred to replace an old machine in the Government Press, particularly as it was found that this fine art machine could not possibly be put to the best use in the Central Prison Press where convicts are working.

Particulars re:external trade of the State by sea.

Mr. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: With reference to the external trade of the State through sea, will the Government be pleased to state the following:

(*a*) the percentage of trade carried through the Trivandrum and Quilon Ports during the years 1106, 1107 and 1108:

(*b*) the total volume of trade carried through Trivandrum and Quilon ports during the years 1106, 1107 and 1108: and

(*c*) the number of steamers that called at Trivandrum and Quilon Ports during the last six years from 1103 to 1108 and their total tonnage?

Mr. T. C THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): A statement containing the information is laid on the table.

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(a) *Statement showing the percentage of trade carried through the Trivandrum and Quilon Ports during the years 1106, 1107 and 1108.*

		1106	1107	1108
Trivandrum	...	5·42	4·33	4·47
Quilon	...	3·94	1·71	2·06

(b) *Statement showing the total volume of trade carried through Trivandrum and Quilon Ports during the years 1106, 1107 and 1108.*

		1106	1107	1108
		Bh. Rs...	Bh. Rs.	Bh. Rs.
Trivandrum	...	26,95,950	21,50,383	22,21,351
Quilon	...	19,61,017	8,53,764	10,23,273

(c) *Statement showing the number and tonnage of steamers that called at Trivandrum and Quilon Ports from 1103 to 1108, M. E.*

	1103		1104		1105		1106		1107		1108	
	No.	Tonnage	No.	Tonnage	No.	Tonnage	No.	Tonnage	No.	Tonnage	No.	Tonnage
Trivandrum .	23	67,602	38	1,04,400	20	55,121	43	1,19,122	52	1,43,984	82	2,42,046
Quilon .	14	42,824	29	81,247	26	71,385	31	84,629	28	77,987	23	56,136